

**REMARKS**

**The Amendment:**

This amendment is submitted under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.312. The amendment is directed to correcting two items of the specification.

First, the amendment changes the title to be more representative of the invention as finally claimed in this application, in that the amended title recites a method of enhancement of polyethylene surfaces rather than polyolefin surfaces.

Second, the amendment proposes the deletion of the amendment A to the first line of page 1 of the specification, which was filed on or about March 16, 1989. That amendment inserted a statement that the application was a continuation-in-part of application no. 566,906. The amendment is deleted by the proposed amendment which does not include Amendment A.

**Applicant's Comments:**

It is believed that the basis for the amendment to the title of the application is self evident. The claims and supporting arguments, as well as the examiner's statement of reasons for allowance, have directed the invention to the treatment of polyethylene surfaces, rather than the generic class of polyolefin surfaces. The amendment will provide a more definitive title for the application.

A similar amendment is proposed for the first paragraph of the specification. This amendment also is submitted to delete the reference to a parent application. It is noted that a parent application is not recited in the original oath, nor is it recited in the accompanying supplemental oath.

As the examiner is no doubt aware, applicant was denied the right to rely on the earlier filed application which was identified in the Amendment A of March 16, 1989. Instead, the basis for patentability was the showing that "polyethylene is superior to other olefins in coating polyethylene" (examiner's

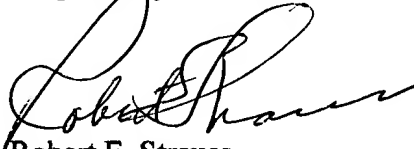
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**AMENDMENT AFTER ALLOWANCE**

statement of reasons for allowance). As Applicant did not rely of the earlier filed application in the arguments presented in Applicant's brief on appeal, and as the examiner did not grant Applicant the right to rely on the asserted parent application, it is believed that deletion of Amendment A to add a reference to the earlier filed application is proper at this time.

None of the amendments changes in any manner the scope or wording of the claims. Accordingly, it is believed that the amendment can be entered after allowance under the provisions of 37 CFR §1.312. Entry of the amendment is respectfully solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Robert Strauss", written over the printed name.

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